God's Unique Creation

In Loving Memory
of
Mother Pauline Young

Services Held
Friday, October 24, 2003
11:00 a.m.

St. John Missionary Baptist Church
662 South 52nd Street, Richmond, CA

Officiating
Dr. Kevin B. Hall, Pastor

Mother Pauline Young

Family

Order of Service

Obituary
for
Pauline Young

Pauline Young was born October 31st in Camden, Arkansas to Solomon and Lillie Mason. She was the sixth child of thirteen children 10 of which preceded her in death.

Her spiritually devoted and God-fearing parents inspired Pauline at an early age. She accepted Christ at an early age and was baptized by Rev. L.C. Dean, pastor of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, Camden, Arkansas.

Pauline attended public school in Camden where she graduated from Camden High School and Dunbar Jr. College, Little Rock, Arkansas majoring in Home Economics. She taught school for a while in Hope, Arkansas before moving to Richmond, California.

The Mason family joined the St. John Missionary Baptist Church under the founding pastor, Rev. James Brown. Her first job in Richmond was at the Kaiser Shipyard.

Pauline met and fell in love with Eli Branch, a sailor stationed at Mare Island Naval Shipyard, Vallejo, CA. To this union two children were born, Pauline (Cozy) Branch-Dawson who preceded her in death and Eli (Ronnie) Branch, Jr.

The family moved to Detroit, Michigan for a while and later returned to Oakland. Her husband Eli Branch preceded her in death. She later married I.C. Young.

Pauline was an active member of St. John from the beginning. She served as the second secretary in the 1940's, Adult Class Sunday School Teacher, member of the Mother's Ministry and Servant Leader of the Deaconess Ministry until poor health prevented her from continuing.

Pauline was a very good cook, she enjoyed baking, canning and keeping her freezer and pantry well stocked with the things she needed. She loved cooking and sharing with others.

Pauline didn't meet strangers that , that doesn't say that strange things didn't come from her mouth. We as family members attributed this to her being born on Halloween. She was very punctual and wanted everything to run smoothly.

Pauline leaves to cherish her memory her son Eli Branch, Jr., nine grandchildren, three great grandchildren, two sisters, Margaret Mitchell of El Cerrito, CA and Juanita Levine of San Francisco, CA, one brother-in-law, Doyle Mitchell of El Cerrito, CA. Special friends James and Norma Washington of Fairfield, CA, Robert Davis of Oakland, CA and Nick Waller of Richmond, CA and a host of close relatives and friends.

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Prelude ..... *Musicians*

Processional ..... *Clergy and Family*

Scripture Reading:

Old Testament ..... *Min. Melvin Williams*

New Testament ..... *Min. Alvin Armstrong*

Prayer ..... *Min. Leona Welch*

Selection ..... *Choir*

Acknowledgment ..... *Sis. Hattie M. Murphy*

Resolutions ..... *Sis. Hattie M. Murphy*

Solo ..... *"Precious Lord"* ..... *Sis. Willa Gaye Williams*

Expressions ..... *Friends & Family*

(Two minutes please)

Dea. James Washington & Deaconess Norma Washington

Sis. Tina Owens, Deaconess Ministry

Family, Margaret Ann Bernard

Obituary ..... *Read Silently*

Solo ..... *"One Day At A Time"* ..... *Min Flokey Vanhook*

Eulogy ..... *Min. Dennis Mitchell*

Parting View ..... *Harris Funeral Home Staff in Charge*

"Going Up Yonder"

Recessional ..... *Clergy, Pallbearers & Family*

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Family

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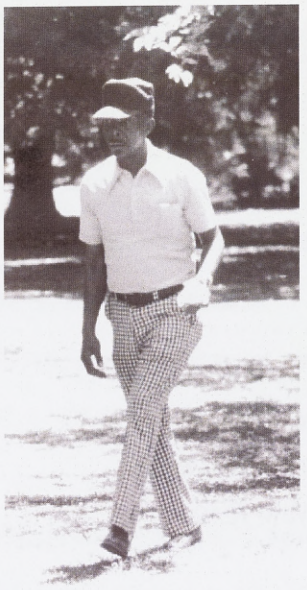

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Family

Favorite Comments
"Let's Kill"

Favorite Words
"Get that man hands out of my pocket"
"Don't keave, we are going to kill a chicken and churn."
I wouldn't trust him/her as far a I could throw them."

Dear Mama

I miss you mama because the truth is this
You taught me how life and people truly is

You didn't put on a fake smile or try to hold nothin in,
When you would lay down the law I had better change right then.

But that's what I needed to because of the type of attitude I keep
Your words were to the point like the bottom of the ocean they ran deep.

Now, I sit around on the front porch, waiting for you to come home,
You want me to be happy, but sometimes I feel so all alone.

No one could ever compare to be the type of woman you was.
"Dear Mama" this is for you, the one I'll always miss and love.

With Love,

Your Grandson, Eric

Mother Pauline Young

Active Pallbearers

Chris Picou
George Livingston, Jr.
Kenard Levin
Daryl Nunley
Henry Keith III
Ryan Mitchell
Jason Mitchell

Honorary Pallbearers

Bro. Robert Davis
Bro. David Dixon
Dea. Robert Dixon
Dea. Bobby Johnson
Dea. Elwood Jordan
Dea. George Livingston
Dea. Doyle Mitchell
Dea. Nick Waller
Dea. James Washington
Bro. Gregory Christian
Bro. Benny Barnes

Interment

Rolling Hills Memorial Park
Richmond, California

Acknowledgment

The family gratefully acknowledges with appreciation the comforting expressions of sympathy through prayers, cards, telegrams, flowers and every act of kindness.
May God's richest blessings be yours.
The Family

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